

Excavations at Central University, Hyderabad

3126. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that excavations in the premises of the Central University of Hyderabad have unearthed a Menhir, a high rock, set up north of the grave by Megalithic people in 1100 BC-3rd Century A.D.;

(b) whether there is any proposal to convert the site into an Archaeological Museum; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Literacy campaign in notified districts

†3127. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether total literacy campaign has been started in notified districts of the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise areas covered under this campaign;

(c) the targets set under this scheme for the Ninth Five Year Plan and to what extent these targets are likely to be achieved; and

(d) what steps have been taken for effective implementation of this scheme in the notified districts?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) State-wise areas covered under Literacy Campaign is given in the statement. (See below)

(c) The present target is to attain full literacy i.e. sustainable threshold level of 75 percent literacy by 2005. According to National

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